Region 3 GPRA Baseline RCRA Corrective Action Facility

Witco Chemical Corporation (Currently: Crompton Corp.)

Route 268 Petrolia, PA 16050 Congressional District 21 EPA ID #: PAD004388500 Last Updated 12/26/2002

Current Progress at the Site

Currently owned and operated by the Crompton Corporation, the facility was previously owned and operated by the Witco Chemical Corporation. Crompton is currently investigating the nature and extent of contamination at the facility under the Pennsylvania Act 2 and the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) corrective action programs. Several response actions addressing disposal units have been performed to date pursuant to consent orders issued by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. The most recent investigation work at the facility has included the installation and sampling of additional monitoring wells.

Site Description

Constructed in approximately 1885, the facility's current products include white oils, petrolatums and microcrystalline waxes. The facility is located on Route 268 in Fairview Township, adjacent to the Borough of Petrolia in Butler County, Pennsylvania. Approximately 250 acres in size, the facility lies along Bear Creek.

Site Responsibility

RCRA Corrective Action activities at this facility are being conducted under the direction of EPA Region 3 with assistance from the State.

Contaminants

Crompton Corporation is currently conducting investigations to determine any potential contaminants of concern. Substances detected to date at elevated levels include benzene and lead. The extent of releases of these substances is still being determined.

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